

fully let's go out together for dinner. Let's get together. We live in the neighborhood, let's go to dinner. And then that person call back or you call again and speak to her again and the date is set. And then for whatever reason she doesn't show up.

You are still interested. You call back. You say, "How come you weren't there?" You say, "Well, I thought that you were going to call." And you thought I was going to call, et cetera. And that goes back and forth. Then there is a pregnant pause and you hang up.

Maybe I am just accustomed to being, turned down more than you were, when I was younger. But some men sit and say, "Geez. I wonder whether she's just bashful, that was the reason for the pregnant pause, or I wonder if she really wants me to call her back. She didn't say don't call me again. She didn't say I don't want to hear from you again. Maybe."

And then you see her a little while later a party and she is leaving town. And you walk up to her and you say, you know, "Can I talk to you?" And she says, "Yes." And you walk over to the corner of the party and say, "You know, you really shouldn't let guys down like that. You led me to believe that you wanted to go out with me. You shouldn't do that to women—or to men."

And, if she turned around and said, "You're fantasizing. How could you ever think that? You must be demented? You must be crazy."

I don't think that is how normal people function. I mean, I don't doubt a word you said. But you go on and say you said, "I'll check my calendar and get back to you." You checked calendars, you got back to each other, the date fell—the date? We don't use dates these days, I know. The dinner fell through. You talk again and say, "What happened?" and she is silent. And she says, "What happened?" and you are silent.

You did not say to her, did you, don't call me again? Don't pay attention to me? I may be a virile person but don't pay any attention, just stay away from me? You didn't say anything like that did you?

Mr. DOGGETT. I sure wish I had, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. Well, I wish you had to because maybe there wouldn't be this confusion. She may not be telling the truth, but how one can draw the conclusion from that kind of exchange that this is a woman who is fantasizing, this is a woman who must have a problem because she has turned—are you a psychiatrist?

Mr. DOGGETT. Senator, I am trying to follow your question, but I may have to ask you to restate it.

The CHAIRMAN. My question is are you a psychiatrist?

Mr. DOGGETT. Absolutely not.

The CHAIRMAN. Are you a psychologist?

Mr. DOGGETT. Absolutely not.

The CHAIRMAN. Well, how from that kind of an exchange can you draw the conclusion that she obviously has a serious problem? Where is the section? I want to find it here in your statement. You were stunned by her statement. You told her her comments were totally uncalled for and completely unfounded. Balderdash!

I reiterated I had never expressed a romantic interest in her, had done nothing to give her any indication he might romantically be interested in the future. And I

also stated the fact that I lived three blocks away from her, but never came over should have led her to believe something.

Mr. DOGGETT. Pardon?

I didn't hear what you just said, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. The implication is that should have led her to understand that you weren't interested in her. Did she come up to you say in mildly hysterical terms, why have you not called me or did she just make the statement straight, monotone, you shouldn't lead somebody on like that, or whatever the precise statement was? Can you characterize the way she said it? Did she sound very disappointed in you, you really shouldn't lead women on like that and then let them down? Or did she say, why did you do this? I am very disappointed in you?

I mean can you characterize what it was like?

Mr. DOGGETT. She was very, very intense, Senator. This was not—

The CHAIRMAN. Describe for me how intense she was? Was her voice at a higher octave than normal?

Mr. DOGGETT. She seemed very upset to me.

The CHAIRMAN. Was her voice at a higher octave than normal, do you recall?

Mr. DOGGETT. She seemed very upset, Senator.

Senator my statement, my conclusion is based on a year and a half of experience, not just one afternoon jog on a Saturday in 1983.

The CHAIRMAN. Well, tell me what else she ever said to you?

Mr. DOGGETT. OK. Examples, that is a very fair question, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you.

Mr. DOGGETT. The first time I went over to Clarence Thomas' office, okay, the question is what else did she say to me?

The CHAIRMAN. What did she ever say to you, yes.

Mr. DOGGETT. A, she called me after the dinner fell through. I didn't call her. B, there were a number of months that—

The CHAIRMAN. Let's stop there a minute. Wouldn't that lead you to believe that maybe she thought you might be interested or she wouldn't put her ego on the line to call a man?

Mr. DOGGETT. Absolutely, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. All right.

Mr. DOGGETT. What I have tried to say and what I am trying to say right now is that I did everything in my power with Professor Hill over the time I knew her to make it absolutely, positively clear that I was not interested in that woman.

The CHAIRMAN. Did you say that to her? Did you say, Professor Hill, look, I mean, Anita, I just want to be clear before we get things out of hand here. I want to make it clear to you, I think you are a wonderful person, but I have absolutely no interest in you in anything other than professional terms. Did you ever say that to her?

Mr. DOGGETT. There was never a need to do that because we never got to the level where I had given her enough encouragement where she felt that it was appropriate to—

The CHAIRMAN. Well, give me more instances where she said things to you that this just wasn't the one instance where she said, you know, you led me on or you led women on.

Tell me another instance.

Mr. DOGGETT. Well, I think a perfect example of the conclusion that I came to when I was sitting at my computer in Austin, TX was the statement that she gave under oath, before you 2 days ago, that she had dated John Carr. And the statement that John Carr gave under oath today that he would not characterize their relationship as a dating relationship.

The CHAIRMAN. Now, wait a minute. John Carr said he went out with her.

Mr. DOGGETT. That's right, and I believe, as I understand it—

The CHAIRMAN. He said dating.

Senator THURMOND. Let him get through.

Mr. DOGGETT. Pardon?

The CHAIRMAN. I am worried about your instances. What did she ever say to you, you that led you to believe that she, in fact, had a clear understanding that you had no interest? You said that there were other instances, other than this occasion, where she said to you, I am very disappointed in you, you really shouldn't lead on women and then let them down.

Mr. DOGGETT. Right.

The CHAIRMAN. What else did she ever do or say?

Mr. DOGGETT. Nothing else, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. That's it?

Mr. DOGGETT. Absolutely, Senator, and if she hadn't said it and hadn't been upset to some degree with—

The CHAIRMAN. Well, how was she upset again?

Senator THURMOND. Well, let him get through, let him get through, let him answer.

The CHAIRMAN. OK.

Mr. DOGGETT. It was her, she was intense. I do not believe she raised her voice, but this was not just, hey, guy, you know, be careful as you characterized it, this clearly bothered her. And I hear what you are saying, Senator, and I respect your opinion and I am not trying to argue with you but for me, in that time, in that room, that shocked me and maybe it would have not shocked you, it shocked me.

The CHAIRMAN. I appreciate that. I do appreciate that. I sincerely do. Let me tell you what I thought when I first was told about this.

Mr. DOGGETT. OK.

The CHAIRMAN. I thought it was the case of a woman walking up to someone she never had spoken to other than in passing business, watched him jog, said hello to them and then all of a sudden at a going away party walked up and called him aside and said, I don't know why you led me on like this.

That to me, if a woman did that to me, I may either think she is nuts or be flattered but I would wonder, at a minimum. I would walk away going "where did that come from?" Whether she called me or I called her, if I had agreed on one occasion to go to dinner with her, and if I had known that she had, if I felt that she had an

interest in me, if the dinner date was broken, if she called me to ask me why.

If I said nothing and remained silent, and did not say, look, I just don't want to go out to dinner with you, I was just polite and said nothing. And then she came up to me and said that one sentence, I don't know how, quite frankly, a reasonable man could conclude from that to be stunned and shocked that this woman is fantasizing because she has a male complex—what was your phrase about complex? Come on, earn your salary. There is some place in there where you say, this must mean that she is used to be, this is a complex from being rejected by men.

Mr. DOGGETT. It is on page 3.

The CHAIRMAN. The fact, you believe Ms. Hill's fantasies about my sexual interest in here were an indication of the fact she was having a problem with being rejected by men she was attracted to. It seems to me that is a true leap in faith or ego, one of the two. [Laughter.]

Senator SIMPSON. Are we playing to the audience now?

The CHAIRMAN. No, I am not.

Senator SIMPSON. Well, then let's stop the crowd from responding. You have done that before and they have responded about six times now.

The CHAIRMAN. If anyone else responds they are out and the reason I probably didn't is I am so intensely involved in this, I did not do that. Please, if anyone else responds I ask the police officers to move them out, I mean that sincerely.

Mr. DOGGETT. Would you like for me to respond to your question?

The CHAIRMAN. I would like you to say anything you want. I mean I truly would because I am having trouble understanding this one and I won't say anything more.

Senator THURMOND. Now, take your time and say what you please.

The CHAIRMAN. As long as you want.

Mr. DOGGETT. I appreciate your concern.

The CHAIRMAN. My confusion, not concern.

Mr. DOGGETT. I assumed you were concerned also.

The CHAIRMAN. No, I am not concerned.

Mr. DOGGETT. I appreciate your confusion and I will do what I can to try to clarify it. A, I clearly reacted to this event differently than you would and I respect our differences of opinion.

B, there were a number of occasions when Gil Hardy and others who were black Yale Law School graduates made an attempt to bring together those of us who were in town, including people like me who were not practicing law and who were not involved in the political process, so that we could have social fellowship. We had parties, and other get-togethers.

I observed from a distance—and I am not a psychiatrist, I am not an expert, just a man—Anita Hill attempting to be friendly with men, engage them in conversation, initiate conversation, elongate conversations, and people talking with her and eventually going away.

The CHAIRMAN. Can you name any of those men for us, for the record?

Mr. DOGGETT. Sir, 8 almost 9 years have gone by. If she had filed a sexual harassment charge—

The CHAIRMAN. That's not the issue—

Mr. DOGGETT [continuing]. I would be able to do that because we would be in 1983 or 1984 given the statute of limitations. Which is why you have created a statute of limitations. It is too long, I cannot, sir.

I also remember, sir, the first time I went to Clarence Thomas' office, I was going to talk to somebody who was a classmate of mine about why he had become a black Republican Reaganite, because I had some real concerns. And as I went into his outer office, Anita Hill happened to walk by and she tried to stop me and engage me in conversation and acted as though she thought that since we were all black Yale Law School graduates, I should say, well, let's go in and talk with Clarence, which I did not.

Clearly, people can disagree as to whether or not my observations and conclusions are ones that they would make. But I assure you that based on my experiences and my observations of Anita Hill, both in terms of how she related to me—and let's talk about the jogging incident, Senator. When I was running by I was timing myself with my watch and my interest was to run in place for maybe 30 seconds, be polite and keep going. The reason we continued to talk was because she wanted me to continue to talk. That is action on her part, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. Can I ask you a question, why didn't you keep running?

Mr. DOGGETT. Because the group of black Yale Law School graduates is a very small, a very close, and a very special group and it is like a family. Gil Hardy, the man who introduced Anita to Clarence Thomas was one of the leaders of that group. We did what we could to be as supportive as possible.

Senator I graduated in 1972. She graduated in 1980. She was significantly younger than me, she seemed to be lonely in this town. I was not going to try to make this woman feel that I was not going to be straightforward with her as a professional. There have been other women who have made it very clear that to me that they have been interested in me and I have said, I am not interested. Anita Hill did nothing to deserve me to slam the door in her face. She was one of the Yale Law School black fraternity and there are very few of them, Senator.

Now, I agree that others may interpret my conclusions differently but that's how I saw it and that's why I said what I said.

The CHAIRMAN. I appreciate that and I thank you very much.

Dean, did you work for Clarence—this is the first time I knew this, I should have read the record more closely—did you work for Clarence Thomas when you spent most time with Anita Hill, Professor Hill?

Mr. KOTHE. I would have to say it this way. I worked for Clarence Thomas after I worked with Anita Hill. She was a professor on our faculty. When I retired as Dean, I became special assistant to Clarence Thomas. I think in large part through what she did in initiating our arrangement.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you.